remaining few depots, a view is in the process of being taken by that Ministry

Payment of Productivity Bonus in F C.I.

2250 SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state

(a) whether the productivity linked bonus has been paid over and above the exgratia bonus to staff in the Food Corporation of India,

(b) if so, the reasons therefor,

(c) whether handling workers have not been paid Productivity Linked Bonus,

(d) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(e) the corrective measures proposed by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI) (a) and (b) No, Sir The Corporation has paid only an advance against Productivity Linked Incentive (PLI) in anticipation of the Governments approval to its proposal for payment of PLI over and above ex–gratia to its employees

(c) The advance against PLI has also been paid to departmental handling labourers/workers

(d) and (e) Do not arise

Extension of Nagpur–Gondia local Train upto Dongargad

2251 SHRI RAM NAIK Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal to extend the Nagpur Gondia local train upto Dongargad, and

(b) if so, when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) (a) No Sir

(b) Does not arise

UGC Grants to Universities in Bihar

2252 SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPEMNT be pleased to state

(a) the grants–in–aid sanctioned and released, to the universities in Bihar by the University Grants Commission Separately during the last three years, year–wise, and

(b) the reasons for the difference between allocation and release?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) (a) and (b) UGC do not sanction grants to Universities on a year to year basis, but for a five year plan The details of the grants sanctioned and released by UGC to the Universities in Bihar during the 7th Plan are as follows –

Rupees in lakhs

University	*Grants sanctioned*	*Grants released*
Patna	180 50	89 45

University	*Rupees in lakhs*	
	Grants sanctioned	*Grants released*
Bihar	171 70	125 30
Bhagalpur	198 37	128 63
Ranchi	235 42	99 48
K S D Sanskrit	72 62	20 60
Magadh	171 00	127 90
L N Mithila	72 67	57 20

The allocation of grants was mainly for buildings, books and journals equipment and for appointment of staff UGC provided 100% grants for books journals and equip ment Grants for buildings were on a sharing basis, and grants for staff were released on the condition that the State Government/ University will take over the responsibility of maintenance of staff after the end of the Plan period UGC has informed that while most of the grants for books journals and equipment have been released it has not been possible to release full grants for buildings because of inability of the State Government to meet the matching contribution Similarly, in some cases grants for appointment of staff have not been released for want of concurrence of State Government to take over future liabil ity

Fly overs on Barddhaman–Asansol Station

2254 SHRI HARADHAN ROY Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct fly–over at the important railway level crossings between Barddhaman and Asansol during the Eighth Five Year Plan,

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL LIKARJUN) (a) and (b) Proposals for road–over/under bridges are included in the annual plan after they are sponsored by the State Government/Local authority, as per rules Construction of a road–overbridge in replacement of level crossing No 101/SPL at Panagarh is included in Railways' Works Programme Acceptance of the estimates is however, pending with the State Govern ment

(c) Does not arise

BNR Bridge Near APCAR Garden

2255 SHRI HARADHAN ROY Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal to renovate the BNR Bridge near APCAR Garden, and

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ?